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2. That, as far as possible, vessels trading with tropical ports should be manned with acclimated crews.

3. Drinking water for use on vessels should not be taken from rivers or streams in intertropical countries.

4. Masters of vessels, ship and consular agents are earnestly requested to instruct passengers from quarantinable ports to dispense, as far as possible, with baggage which may be injured by wetting or heat (230° F.) while undergoing disinfection. Such passengers are especially warned against bringing furs, silks, skins, laces, velvets, and other fabrics of delicate texture, as they will be compelled to assume all risks of injury.

5. While in ports infected with yellow fever, vessels should be anchored out in the harbor, when this is possible, and the crew prohibited from going ashore, especially at night.

6. When practicable, cargoes should be loaded in such a manner as to allow access to the pumps, and also to enable the quarantine officers to pump out and wash the bilge.

7. For the purpose of avoiding delay and expense at quarantine, owing to the necessity of shifting of cargo for the object of disinfection, it is recommended that there be constructed in all vessels from quarantined ports, an open framework shaft, 15 inches in diameter from the center of each hatch, through which the fumigating pipe may be introduced down to the dunnage of the vessel.

8. Special attention should be given to cleanliness of vessels and persons, and provisions should be made for all possible ventilation of the entire vessel. The best disinfectants, and instructions for using same, can be obtained by application to the board of health or any of its officers.

9. Masters should, before arrival, see that the bilge is thoroughly pumped out and cleansed, and that the entire vessel be put in such good sanitary condition as to permit of the least possible detention. Fruit vessels, particularly, should be kept thoroughly cleansed for the purpose of avoiding delay at the quarantine station.

10. Vessels observing the above recommendations will receive special consideration at the quarantine station, detention and cost of cleaning, disinfecting, etc., being materially lessened thereby.

EDMOND SOUCHON, M. D.,
President.

G. FARRAR PATTON, M. D., *Secretary.*

Inspection service at Eastport, Me.

EASTPORT, ME., *March 20, 1902.*

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, March 20, 1902:

Vessels inspected.

Date.	Vessel.	From.	For.	Crew.	Passengers.	
					For East-port.	In trans-it.
Mar. 14	Sc. Happy Home	Beaver Harbor, New Brunswick.	Eastport	2	.....	.....
Do.....	Sc. Annie.....	St. Andrews, New Brunswick.	do	2	.....	.....
Do.....	Sc. Perseverance	St. George, New Brunswick.	do	2	.....	.....
Do.....	Sc. Ruby.....	Le Preaux, New Brunswick.	do	2	.....	.....
Do.....	Sc. Exenia.....	Campobello, New Brunswick.	St. John, New Brunswick..	3	.....	.....
Do.....	Ss. Aurora.....	St. Stephen, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	6	6
Mar. 18	Ss. St. Croix.....	Boston and Portland..	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	46	40
Do.....	Ss. H. F. Eaton.....	Calais, Me.....	Eastport.....	10	4	.....
Mar. 19	Ss. St. Croix.....	St. John, New Brunswick.	Portland and Boston.....	61	4	32
Do.....	Ss. H. F. Eaton.....	Calais, Me.....	Eastport.....	10	4	.....
Do.....	Ss. Aurora.....	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	4	2

Two more cases of smallpox have developed among the crew of the steamer *Lake Michigan*, at quarantine, St. John, New Brunswick, making 4 all told. The health of Eastport is good.

Respectfully,

EDWARD M. SMALL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

EASTPORT, ME., *March 27, 1902.*

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, March 27, 1902:

Vessels inspected.

Date.	Vessel.	From.	For.	Crew.	Passengers.	
					For Eastport.	In transit.
Mar. 21	Ss. Aurora.....	St. Stephen, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	.....	10
Do....	Ss. H. F. Eaton.....	Calais, Me.....	Eastport.....	10	7	.....
Mar. 22	Ss. St. Croix.....	Boston	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	6	9
Do....	Sc. Ruby.....	Le Preaux, New Brunswick.	Eastport.....	2	.....	.....
Mar. 25	Sc. Echo.....	Calais, Me.....	do.....	2	.....	.....
Do....	Ss. St. Croix.....	Boston and Portland.	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	45	27
Do....	Ss. H. F. Eaton.....	Calais, Me.....	Eastport.....	10	12	.....
Mar. 26	Ss. St. Croix.....	St. John, New Brunswick.	Portland and Boston.....	61	16	23
Do....	Ss. H. F. Eaton.....	Calais, Me.....	Eastport.....	10	20	.....
Do....	Ss. Aurora.....	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	1	5

One of the seamen at quarantine, St. John, New Brunswick, died March 26 of smallpox.

Respectfully,

EDWARD M. SMALL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Arrival at Reedy Island Quarantine of vessel from Vera Cruz.

REEDY ISLAND QUARANTINE,
via Port Penn, Del., March 23, 1902.

SIR: Through the medical officer in command of national quarantine service on Delaware Bay and River, I have the honor to report the arrival at this station on the 21st instant, of the British steamship *Mexicano*, from Vera Cruz, in ballast; no passengers; bill of health signed by Wm. W. Canada, United States consul.

Respectfully,

T. F. RICHARDSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from South American and West Indian ports.

BALTIMORE, MD., *March 29, 1902.*

SIR: I have to report the arrival of the following vessels at this port for the week ended this day:

March 24, British steamship *Irisbrook*, from Rio de Janeiro, with ore. March 25, Norwegian steamship *Egda*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore. March 27, Norwegian steamship *Oscar II*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore; American schooner *John A. Matheson*, from San Andres,